

Name _____



Dear John...

Directions: Read each passage below, paying particular attention to the underlined words. Is the tone of the passage positive, negative or neutral? Rewrite each note in your own words to show that you understand what it means. If needed, use a dictionary to help you.

1. Dear John, after your persistent cruelty and overall parasitic behavior, I think it would be best if we stop seeing each other. I won't miss you; I have been grieving over the loss of what I had hoped our relationship would be almost from the very beginning.

2. Why must you continue to humiliate me? Is it intentional? Or are you just that callous and self-absorbed? Consider this letter to be me reclaiming my dignity. Don't call me again.

3. I'm glad that we've been able to come to a mutual decision about ending our relationship. I know that neither of us are immune from pain here, but clearly our romantic connection was worn out some time ago, so it is best if we go our separate ways.